

2       alpha hydroxy acids in a quantity between 0.0001 and 60% by weight.

          Please cancel claims 4 and 5

1               6. (Amended) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating  
2 includes poly DL-lactide.

1               7. (Amended) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating  
2 includes functional substances.

1               8. (Amended) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating  
2 includes at least one of vitamins and amino acids.

1               10. (Amended) A process for the preparation of a cosmetic powder comprising the  
2 steps of:  
3               preparation of a powder phase, wherein said powder comprises at least one of the  
4 group consisting of excipients, pigments, silicones and silicone derivatives;  
5               preparation of an alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-polymer phase;  
6               mixture of said powder phase and of said alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-  
7 polymer phase with a solvent in slurry or spray; and  
8               evaporation of the solvent.

1               11. (Amended) The process according to claim 10, wherein said solvent is ethyl  
2 acetate.

1               12. (Amended) The process according to claim 10, further comprising the step of  
2 mixing said alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-polymer phase with functional substances.

1               13. (Amended) The process according to claim 10, further comprising the step of  
2 mixing said alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-polymer phase with at least one of vitamins  
3 and amino acids.